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Dear Mr. Kelner:

I am writing to thank you for meeting with Committee staff yesterday and to follow up on the issue of document production.

At the briefing, you discussed the Republican National Committee's (RNC) compliance with the Committee's March 26, 2007, request that the RNC preserve all e-mails sent to or received by White House officials using accounts maintained by the RNC and the Committee's April 4, 2007, request for certain categories of these e-mails. The requests relate to ongoing Committee investigations of possible violations of the Hatch Act and the Presidential Records Act of 1978.

You have informed the Committee that the RNC will not be able to comply with the April 18, 2007, deadline specified in the Committee's April 4, 2007 letter. In order to accommodate your stated need for additional time, the Committee requests that you provide the following by Wednesday, April 18, 2007:

1. A schedule for the expeditious production of e-mails responsive to the Committee's April 4, 2007, request. Production under this schedule for the first two categories of documents (relating to the PowerPoint presentation) should begin no later than April 25, 2007, and be completed no later than May 9, 2007. Production for the third category of documents (relating to the use of federal agencies or resources) should begin no later than May 16 and be completed no later than May 30, 2007.
2. Written responses to the following questions:
 - a. What steps have been taken to preserve and prepare for the production of e-mails on accounts maintained by the RNC that have been used by White House officials?

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- b. Which current and former White House officials were provided with RNC-maintained e-mail accounts for their use while they served in the White House?
- c. For which current and former White House officials who were provided with RNC-maintained e-mail accounts does the RNC retain e-mail records, and for which has the RNC been unable to identify any e-mail records?

I recognize that the RNC has concerns about the breadth of the Committee's April 4, 2007, request for e-mails relating to "the use of federal agencies or resources to help Republican candidates." My staff is available to discuss with you how the RNC can best respond to this portion of our requests.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact David Rapallo or Anna Laitin of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5420.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry A. Waxman", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Henry A. Waxman
Chairman

cc: Tom Davis
Ranking Minority Member